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SUBJ: APPLICATION TO PRC DIPLOMATS OF ANTITERRORISM

SCREENING PROCEDURES INCIDENT TO BOARDING COMMERCIAL

AIRCRAFT

REF: STATE 24485

1. JOHN DODDS, MARINE AND TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT, FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE, TELLS US PRC HAS ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS SOUGHT EXEMPTION FROM SCREENING PROCEDURES FOR SOME PRC OFFICIALS, USUALLY VISITING HIGH RANKING DIPLOMATS ACCREDITED ELSEWHERE. FCO ALWAYS RESPOND SUCH REQUESTS WITH ASSURANCES THAT SEARCHES WILL BE CONDUCTED DISCREETLY AND WITH GREAT COURTESY AND THAT TRAVELER WILL BE GIVEN VIP TREATMENT AND THIS HAS SATISFIED LOCAL PRC EMBASSY. DODDS SAID FCO HAS NEVER ISSUED A FORMAL EXEMPTION AS RESULT OF PRC REQUEST ALTHOUGH ON ONE RECENT OCCASION REQUEST GOT OUT OF CHANNELS AND AN FCO OFFICIAL PREVAILED ON BRITISH AIRWAYS WAIVE SEARCH OF A PRC AMBASSADOR. DODDS SAID THIS WAS ERROR WHICH HE HOPED WOULD NOT REOCCUR.

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